(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether any Central assistance has been sought or given therefor; and

(d) whether States like Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and others have also apprised Government of similar plans for implementation in their respective States, if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI P.A. SANGMA): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The Government of Gujarat has recently sent an 'Action Plan for 5,000 child workers in Gujarat State' to rehabilitate child labour in diamond cutting and polishing, manufacturing of metal products, engineering and plastics, manufacture of fire crackers, chemicals, quarries, mines and other hazardous processes. The Action Plan comprises construction of hostels, provision of stipends, compensation, food, education and other facilities. The Government of Gujarat has sought financial assistance to implement the project from Government of India.

(d) Government of India has recently requested for detailed proposals on NCLF pattern from eleven State Governments having high concentration of child labour in the country. Some of the State Governments like Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Tripura have already submitted proposals for elimination of child labour.

Publication of Statistics on Coal

5. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Coal Controller, in his capacity as Statistical Authority under the Statistics Act has failed to collect and publish regularly the relevant statistics on coal;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor and how will it be set right;

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, what are the regular publications, bulletin and other literature published alongwith their regularity; and

(d) what is being done to improve its functioning of the Statistical Authority?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) to (d) Under the Statistics Act 1953, the Coal Controller in his capacity as Statistical Authority, has to publish;

(i) Annual Review of Coal Statistics
(ii) Coal Directory of India
(iii) Monthly Coal Statistics.

The annual compilations of statistics are due in the month of August. The Annual Review of Coal Statistics for the year 1993-94 was brought out on 15th September 94. The Coal Directory of India for the year 1993-94 was brought out on 12th August 94. The annual publications for the year 1994-95 are expected to be published by the end of August this year.

With regard to Monthly Coal Statistics, these are required to be published in the month following the month for which the statistics are being compiled. The latest Monthly Coal Statistics have been published for October 94. However, at times delay occurs in publication of monthly statistics due to delay in receiving data in statutory returns from coal producing and consuming units. In case of delay in submission, the matter is vigorously followed up by the Coal Controller's Organisation with the concerned parties and sometimes data are collected by personal visit of their officials. Computers are now being used for compilation of data for timely publication.

Proposals for 100% EOUs

6. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of proposals received and approved for setting up of Export